FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S.752

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TO: The Honorable John E. Courson, Chairman, Senate Education Committee

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Higher Education Institutions may not use Social Security Numbers as Identification Number

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

BILL SUMMARY:

SUBJECT:

This Bill would add Section 59-101-450 to the Code of Laws so as to prevent public institutions of higher learning from using the social security number of a student as the individual identification number of the student effective July 1, 2006. Institutions could not display any four or more consecutive numbers contained in the social security number of the student on any internet site or any other publicly accessible document.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Both the Commission on Higher Education and the State Board on Technical and Comprehensive Education indicate the costs associated with this Bill to be minimal. Many of the higher education institutions have already implemented the use of identification numbers that are separate from the social security number. Others are in various stages of implementing a system that does not rely on social security numbers, and indicate that although there may be some costs, they can be absorbed.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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